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|  | 10/658,993   | MOSZNER ET AL.   |  |  |  |  |
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| Status   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 Ju   | ne 2007.   | ,  |  |  |  |  |
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| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowan  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disposition of Claims  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>5 and 24-29</u> is/are pending in the application.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>5 and 24-29</u> is/are rejected.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.  | 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or  | election requirement.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Application Papers   |  | •  |  |  |  |  |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examine   | r.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign  | priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)  | -(d) or (f).   |  |  |  |  |
| a) ☑ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Attachment(s)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) Paper No(s)/Mail Date  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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The recited status (previously presented) for claims 6-17 and 21-23 is incorrect, and it should be (withdrawn). Allowability of claim 5 is withdrawn due to new ground of rejection.

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 26-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

This is New Matter rejection the newly recited proviso as a whole does not have support at page 8-14 contrary to applicant's general statement.

Only bottom, right structure at page 8 and top, middle structure at page 9 have  $R^2$  as  $C_2$  alkyl radical when r = 1, m + n = 3, Y = 0 or S and  $R^1$  and X are absent, for example. A particular support is needed when new claims recite species from a generic formula.

The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct

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from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Claims 5 and 24-29 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-6 of copending Application No. 11/200,488 (Pub. No.: US 2006/0178469 A1). Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because the formula of said application encompasses the instant formula when Y= for A=A<sup>1</sup> is absent, for example (see also [0032]).

This is a <u>provisional</u> obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tae H. Yoon whose telephone number is (571) 272-1128. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vasu Jagannathan can be reached on (571) 272-1119. The fax phone

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number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Tae H Yoon' Primary Examiner

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